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SCHOOL WEEK IN TAZEWELL CO.

Hon. Harris Hart Will Make Address in Graham Tuesday—Faculties of the Larger Schools.

Next week, beginning on Monday evening, is "School Week." Superintendent Grever has issued a call to all teachers to meet at Graham, Monday evening, where the first of a series of preparatory and explanatory exercises, addresses, etc., will be made. Teachers will be met at trains by the entertainment committee.

Mr. Harris Hart to Speak.

Tuesday, says Prof. Grever's circular letter, will be given to short addresses, and an explanation of school policies, regularity, etc., as laid down by the new county board, and also an explanation of the compulsory school law. Hon. Harris Hart, State Superintendent, and others will make address at this session, of vital importance to the teachers and to the success of the schools this school year.

School To Open On Thursday.

The Graham exercises will close Tuesday evening. The teachers will have Wednesday to reach their schools, all schools will open Thursday, the 7th. Thursday and Friday will be given largely to organization, but all pupils are expected to report at school Thursday morning, 7th.

Mr. J. B. Boyer, Clerk of the County Board, and other members of the Board, will be on hand Thursday, to distribute school supplies, give information, etc., at Graham during the meetings. There is an optimism and enthusiasm pervading school circles which indicates a great and successful term.

Following is a list of teachers in the High Schools of the county:

Pocahontas High School.

Jno. H. Crowder, Principal; Miss Virginia Haller, Miss Garnette Pharr, Miss Margaret Funk, Miss Annie V. Canada, Miss Louise Blackwell, Miss Louise Tillman, Miss Ruth Huddle, Miss Katherine Brown, Miss Ruby Vermillion, Miss Arah G. Easterday, Miss Elberta Harris, Miss Eloise Peery, Miss Emma Thomas.

Burke's Garden High School.

Grover Strong, Principal, P. K. Credle, Agricultural teacher; Mrs. Chas. Gose, Home Economics; May Freeman, Edith Linkous, Ida Grever, Ruth Davis.

Tazewell High School.

Guy H. Brown, Principal; Miss Ollie Kate Brittain, English; Miss Pearl Rhudy, Mathematics; Miss Jessie Gillespie, Science; Miss Frances Mason, History, French; Miss Cary Hillman, Home Economics; Miss Salie Mahood, Seventh grade; Miss Otie Craddock, Sixth grade; Miss Pattie Lee Darden, Fifth grade; Miss Ruth Jones, Fifth grade; Miss Ruby Scott, Fourth grade; Miss Alice Scott, Third grade; Miss Julia Davidson, Second grade; Miss Margaret Elder, First grade; Miss Mary Hurt, Piano.

Graham High School.

R. W. Bobbitt, Principal; N. P. Reed, Assistant Principal; Miss Mary George, Miss Isabel Arrowood, Miss Colley James, Miss Ellen Shannon, Miss Louise Leifer, Miss Gertrude Brophy, Miss Thelma Har, Miss Ruby Graham, Miss Martha Anderson, Miss Mary Lee Miller, Miss Eva Steele, Miss Elizabeth Crenshaw, Miss Callie Litz, Miss Virginia Dudley, Miss Mary Rice, Miss Carrie Hylton, Miss Sallie May Gray.

Richlands High School.

J. Roy Horne, Principal; Mrs. Adie B. Amos, Miss Mae Yancey, Miss Ruth P. Moon, Miss Ella Wall, Miss Sarah Switzer, seventh grade; Miss Willie Wood, 6-a grade; Miss Nellie Miller, 6-b grade; Miss Gladys Scott, 5-a grade; Miss Mary Lee, 4-b grade; Miss Myrtle Clark, Fourth; Miss Lois Mays, 3-a and 4-a grades; Miss Ella D. Roe, Third grade; Miss Fannie Scott, 1 and 2 grades; Miss Vera Jones, Second grade; Miss Eliza Carter, First grade.

Cedar Bluff High School.

P. E. Goodman, Principal; Miss Minnie S. Bowman, Miss Mary Bowman, Miss Nellie B. French, Miss Frances G. Jennings, Miss Ollie T. Long, Miss E. Pearl McGuire.

All Ready For The Opening.

The opening of the schools of the county is an event of no small importance. It may be justly said, that the schools of the county and towns are institutions of overwhelming importance and responsibility. The citizens, whether or not a patron of the schools, who withhold his cooperation, or the teacher who fails to do his very best and wisest leading, is criminally negligent.

The towns and the entire county will present a lively and encouraging aspect next Thursday, when youngsters of all ages, sizes and colors, will flock by hundreds along the streets and highways, leading to the "seats of learning," provided. May it be a great year in the schools.

Just A Word About The Teachers. There are, or will be this year 200 school teachers in the public schools (including High Schools of course), of the county. At a guess there will be some 75 or 80 of these young women new teachers, who will be, for the most part, strangers in the community. A plea is made here for these strangers within our gates. Receive them kindly, treat them with great deference. Help them to beat back and keep down the almost inevitable homesickness which is sure to seize them. Such a plea as this would seem to be, and perhaps is, entirely unnecessary in this or any other Virginia community. At any

rate, it will do no harm to pay just a little extra attention to these new teachers, until they get "broke in" to the harness.

Names of Rural schools teachers will be given in next issue.

MISS MARY HURT TEACHER OF PIANO FOR T. H. S.

Miss Mary Hurt, of Pounding Mill, has been appointed teacher of piano in Tazewell High School for the session 1922-23. Miss Hurt has had four years of training in piano in Bethany College, taking her diploma in music. Students desiring to enroll in her class will report to her in the High School building Wednesday or Thursday, Sept. 6 and 7th, or report by letter or personal interview any time previous to that date.

A. S. GREVER, Div. Supt.

POPULAR ATTORNEY NOW ON CRUTCHES

Attorney J. N. Harman is hobbling about on crutches since his return last week from Chicago, where he underwent an operation at the hands of Dr. Kellogg Speed, a noted surgeon. The metatarsal bone connecting with the big toe on his left foot was removed. A lot of stopped on this foot when Mr. Harman was a boy. On account of this injury and the favor shown the injured member thereafter, the bone did not develop properly. At the joint it became too large and impinged the nerves. Treatment by various specialists gave no permanent relief. Mr. Harman now believes that surgical skill has removed the cause of an annoying affliction, and his friends are hoping that he will soon be able to kick his crutches into kindling wood.

Mr. Harman was cared for at the Presbyterian hospital and the monotony of hospital life was relieved by frequent calls and courtesies on the part of Mr. and Mrs. James Rutledge, former residents of this city, who now live at 52 W. Hargis street, Chicago.—McDowell Recorder.

LOT SALE SATISFACTORY.

The auction sale of 5 lots of Mr. Witten's on West Main street last Saturday and 12 lots of Mrs. Walton, on East Main street, by the Horney Brothers, auctioneers, came off according to schedule, and was entirely satisfactory. It is said, to all parties concerned, the 5 lots on West Main, brought \$3,618, an average of \$700.00 per lot. The Walton lots about 12, brought \$3,618. The Witten lots were bought by H. G. McCall. The other lots were purchased by different parties, including Roy St. Clair, Miss Julia Davidson, W. Ed. Peery, Frank Whitte and others. This sale takes in all the available vacant building sites in the town. The expansion of the town hereafter must go East.

"A DREAM OF QUEEN ESTHER" TO BE PRESENTED HERE.

A treat is in store for the Tazewell people tonight Friday evening when some of the best talent of Graham and Bluefield will present a play entitled, "A Dream of Queen Esther." This is a biblical drama in three acts by Walter Bon Hare, and is a highly artistic production. Thirty-seven characters are introduced in the play, including twelve little Jewish children, eight Persian rose maids, and eight dream characters. A slight variation in the thrilling Bible story of Queen Esther supplies the necessary romantic note. An interesting episode consists of the antics of the playful Koosh, an Ethiopian slave child, and the appearance of the beauties of the realm before the king. Elaborate costumes and scenery, and appropriate music add color and atmosphere to the performance.

CAST OF CHARACTERS:

The King, Wilson Holder. Mordecai, Captive Jew at Shushan, Wayland Newton. Hegai, the King's Chamberlain, Kenneth Newton. Esther, a Jewish Heroine, Glennia James. Meeshe Zabeel, her servant, Mrs. Brophy. Hanania, little Jewish maid, aged eight, Eleanor Anderson. Koosh, little Ethiopian slave girl, Irene Reynolds. Kazma Shimeel, a Persian singer, Sallie Litz. The Lady Ozoona, a beautiful Shushan maid, Mrs. Joe Davidson. Jakosha, a languid Lily, Mrs. Gene Witten.

The Princess Zuecca, a proud lady from Media, Mary Davenport. DREAM CHARACTERS: The Witch of Endor, Mrs. C. S. Pippin. Rebecca, Catherine James. Minnie, Colley James. Deborah, Margaret Sutton. Adah, Helen Baylor. Martha, Ruth Metcalf. Ruth, Mrs. Parrish. Electa, Mammie Sexton. Time—Two and a quarter hours. Don't miss this delightful evening's entertainment.

ADMISSION: 50 and 65 cents

MATERNAL ANCESTORS FROM TAZEWELL.

A short time ago we received a subscription from Miss N. E. Nicholson, New Orleans, La. The editor seeks to know all the "furnin" and scribbles more or less intimately, and just how, if at all, they link up with Tazewell. Hence the following letter, which explains itself: Mr. J. A. Leslie, Editor, Tazewell.

Dear Sir:—Your letter of the 18th inst. enclosing receipt for subscription to the News received. Thank you.

In reply to your inquiry as to who I am, would say that I am 100 per cent American, being a direct descendant of colonial stock on both sides. On my father's side, our people originally came from England or Scotland to Virginia, thence to South Carolina, thence West.

On my mother's side, our people came from Tazewell County, Virginia, and are not so much of a foreigner after all. My mother's father, John Harkrider, was born in Montgomery County and reared in Tazewell County. My mother's mother, Eunice Asbury, was born and reared in Tazewell County. John Harkrider and Eunice Asbury were married in Tazewell County in 1825 and came

South a short time after.

They left behind my great-grand father, Isaac Harkrider and his family, also my grandmother left her brother, Jacob Jackson Asbury and two sisters, Jerusha Jane and Mary Ann Asbury, as well as her mother, Matilda Asbury all there.

What became of them, we do not know, some of their descendants may be there yet. I might have some sixteenth cousins yet in Tazewell county.

In any event I have always had a great desire to know more of Tazewell, possibly it is inherited homesickness from my grandmother—who I would dare say?

I hope the News will come regularly, as I enjoy reading the little items of news from the different neighborhoods and some time, some day, I may see Tazewell, if I do I shall hope to give you a call.

Yours very truly, NANNIE E. NICHOLSON.

FORMER DEPUTY IS SHOT TO DEATH

M. M. Robinson, a former deputy sheriff of Wise county, Va., was shot to death at St. Paul Saturday afternoon, Ed. Minton, a seventeen-year-old boy of that neighborhood, being charged with the shooting. After Robinson had been killed, young Minton is said to have run into a basement under a barber shop, where he was arrested about an hour later by deputy sheriff Horn, of Virginia City.

No motive for the killing other than that Robinson had arrested Minton some weeks ago on a charge of shooting at another person was given by Minton, after his arrest, according to reports.

Robinson was shot five times with an automatic pistol and died instantly. Shooting occurred near N. & W. passenger station.

COVE CREEK EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Cove Creek, Aug. 31.—The League at this place is progressing nicely. The meeting Sunday night was a great success. We had a visitor from Tazewell, Bluefield and Graham Leagues. Our visitor from Graham said the program we rendered Sunday night was the best he had ever heard of. And that if we kept up the vim and spirit of this league, we would take the "blue ribbon" at the meeting Sunday, Sept. 3, will be held by Garnett Shuffelbarger.

Song, Onward Epworth Leaguers. Scripture lesson, 1 Cor. XV, 57-58. Prayer.

Song, Rescue the Perishing. Brief statement by leader.

Necessity of the inner life, by Mrs. R. C. Fox.

There is no need to blunder when God has promised us faith, Mrs. Marvin Neel.

Our weakness leads us to depend on God, Miss Pearl Neel.

While we should pray as though God does everything, we should pray as though we do it all, Miss Kathleen Fink.

When we have put our faith in line and given our best possible service, the results may be safely left with Him, Mary Rose.

There can be no failures to those who are co-workers with God, Miss Gladys Shawver.

Brief discussion on "How we may become better Leaguers," Miss M. Elizabeth Kidd.

How may we study to show ourselves approved workmen? Forest Shuffelbarger.

Prayer of consecration closed by League benediction.

Misses Elizabeth Kidd, Francis Witten, Mr. J. W. Kidd, and Mr. Walker Shawver were at the home of Forest Shuffelbarger Monday evening from 8 to 12. A very pleasant evening was had by all.

Misses Davis, Mr. Brown and Mr. Sillings, of Charleston, have been here for a few days looking at the Nye's Cove timber. They are thinking of buying.

McMULLEN-HALL.

A quiet but beautiful wedding took place at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday evening, August 23 at the home of Mrs. P. B. Early, on Wythe avenue, when Miss Barbara McMullen became the bride of Mr. Henry B. Hall.

The ceremony was performed in the presence of the bride's immediate family and a very few of her most intimate friends, by Rev. W. W. Arrowood, pastor of the Presbyterian church, of Tazewell.

They left for Detroit, from which place they will tour the lake cities by automobile.

The bride is a native of Tazewell county and is connected with several of the largest and most prominent families of the county. She is a niece of Geo. W. Gillespie, president of the Tazewell National Bank. She has taught school in Bluefield for several years. The groom is from Greensboro, N. C., and is connected with the Simmons Hardware Company.—Bluefield Telegraph of Sunday.

THREE INJURED IN AUTOMOBILE WRECK.

Miss Nellie Whitesell, of Graham, was seriously injured; her sister, Mrs. C. G. Hancock, sustained painful bruises, and Mr. Thomas was cut about the head, when an automobile in which they were enroute home from Princeton was wrecked at Princeton Saturday afternoon.

The party was in a Ford coupe and had just left the Princeton ball park when a Hupmobile said to have been driven by a man named Dunkley, of Beckley, which attempted to pass the Ford, but fouled the car turning it over.

Miss Whitesell had two leaders in her left foot severed and lost a considerable amount of blood. At latest reports the patients are doing nicely.

A CARD OF THANKS.

We thank our many friends for kindness shown us during the sickness and death of our dear mother, for beautiful floral tributes, and for the use of cars. We also thank her physician, Dr. Painter, and nurse, Mrs. Peck, for their kindness and attention. May God bless them all—Her children, W. E. Gillespie, Mrs. H. G. P. McNeil, Mrs. C. J. Belcher.

IN THE GREAT BARREN WASTE

Mr. Newton Astonished at Sight of American Desert, Through Which Party Passed Enroute to Pythian Convention.

(Special to The News.)

Great American Desert, Aug. 3.—Here we are, traveling through a section of our country that few of us have any conception of. I had heard of it but had no idea of its magnitude. In fact the whole country West of the Mississippi is a marvel to us from the East because of its vastness. Travelling over the Santa Fe, as well as over other railroads entering California one must pass over this desert.

The term "desert" is probably given to it because of its unproductiveness. Not that the soil is lacking in fertility in most places, but because nature has withheld from this portion of the American continent the necessary rains. The soil is dry from the parched rays of the hot sun. Rivets and gullies are in evidence at points along the route, but they are only a bone. Even the bed of the Rio Grande is parched. Huge hills tower above us and in the distance, and it would seem that rain would be plentiful but the soil in the valleys and on the mountains indicates a woeful lack of the refreshing showers.

Animals are few and far between. An occasional prairie dog and occasional herds of mountain goats are to be seen.

There is scarcely enough variety in the scenery to afford pleasure and inspiration to the traveler, who is usually willing to gaze occasionally through the windows only to see the same, unchanging scenes. Night is a relief, because it is our province to his way to our bunks and spend a cool night in refreshing sleep, only to awaken in the morning with the same views to greet our eyes.

In one of the large fields stretched out before us I saw the words "Oasis" on a large sign board. I saw no houses near and no sign of life, though there was an automobile road throughout the entire length of this desert. What this oasis meant is still a mystery to me, though, of course, there was some meaning. There must have been water there, but it was not to be seen from the train, nor any evidence of fertility.

There are occasional stops, or railroad stations, and then for miles surrounding them. Then for miles and miles one travels without any sign of the abode of man until another station is reached. Verily, the desert has few charms for the traveler, but it is worth the time of any one to see this part of America, and to know the vastness of the territory.

The writer asked Miss Gwen Bristow, of Selma, Ala., a member of our party for an expression of her views on the desert, which she gave in five minutes time, as follows: "From center of Texas, on through Arizona, New Mexico, Nevada, Colorado and part of California one crosses the Great American desert—a vast waste of sky and sand and sage, stretching full red and gray across hundreds of miles of treeless plains, winding among the towering bases of the Rocky Mountains 'till it reaches the orange groves on the shores of the Pacific."

At first sight the desert is a neutral, colorless waste—gray, hot, uninviting. And as crossing the great plains, gazing out to where the sand dunes touch the sky somehow one is hypnotized by the spell. The glow of the desert creeps into one's being. He lies back, lulled into a day dream by the very lure of the monotony. The sages beckon him. The gray-green mesquite in the hot sand, the cactus stretching its gaunt arms, the distant horizon—all has a sort of dreamy fascination as it sleeps under the arching blue of the desert sky.

The westerners love it. They say that the vast open spaces have a beauty of their own. They tell us that every man needs to know the desert—that when he makes it his friend he has found something that the busy heart of civilization cannot give him—something that somewhere the East has lost.

J. M. N.

CIVIC LEAGUE TO DEVOTE MOST OF TIME TO SCHOOL WORK.

The Civic League held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday the 29th. Mrs. A. S. Higginbotham was elected President. She appointed the following chairmen of Committees: Ways and Means—Mrs. P. D. Johnston.

School—Mrs. G. W. St. Clair.

Membership—Mrs. Charles Moss.

Entertainment—Mrs. J. E. Jackson.

Publicity—Mrs. W. W. Arrowood.

The League decided to devote most of its energies to school work, being especially interested in getting single desks for the class rooms where needed. It is hoped that this can be done during the coming school year.

The time of the regular meeting was changed from the fourth Tuesday to the first Monday in each month.

All members are urged to be present at the next meeting, September the fourth at 3 o'clock in the High School Building.

FOURTH QUARTERLY CONFERENCE.

The fourth quarterly conference, M. E. Church, South, will be held in the Sunday school room of Main St. church in Tazewell, Saturday, September 2nd, at 2:30 p. m. All stewards and trustees are especially urged to be present with reports. Important business for consideration—A. S. ULM, P. C.

TANNERSVILLE NEWS NOTES.

Tannersville, Aug. 30.—Mr. M. F. Brown left Monday for Wilkesboro, N. C., for a few weeks visit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Taylor left Friday to visit Mrs. Taylor's sisters, Mrs. Bige Lambert and Mrs. Samuel Wyatt, in Ohio.

Mrs. Elizabeth Kitts and daughter Miss Irene, of Roanoke, were the guests of their mother and grand mother, Mrs. Alice Necessary last week.

Mrs. Mamie Larimer and children, who have been visiting here for several weeks, left today for their home in Johnson City, Tenn.

Messrs J. I. Hilt, A. S. Caldwell, W. T. Ratcliff, W. E. Hilt and Carl Ratcliff left Friday to attend the annual Christian convention at Bluefield.

Miss May Kinder and Mrs. Ir. Wyatt surprised their many friends by slipping away to Bristol, where they were married last Thursday.

School will begin here September 4th. Miss Juanita Patterson, Principal; Miss Leona Patterson, intermediate grades; Miss Eugenia Patterson, primary.

The ball game here Saturday, the single men vs. married men, was full of thrills and interest throughout. The single men won easily. Score 16 to 9.

The Epworth League ice cream and plo snapper here Saturday afternoon was a success financially as \$46.30 was realized. The proceeds will be used for benefit of church.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION.

Last Saturday, Aug. 26th Mrs. W. T. Thompson had a delightful birthday celebration, at her home on Tazewell avenue, from 3 to 6 o'clock, given and arranged by her daughters.

There were handsome presents, and delicious refreshments were served, and of course, much animated and interesting conversation. The following ladies were the honored guests on the occasion:

Mrs. Geo. W. Gillespie, Mrs. John Barnes, Mrs. C. A. Fudge, Mrs. A. J. Larimer, Mrs. Sam Ward, Mrs. Mary Buchanan, Mrs. Dan Lynch, Mrs. Narcissa Thompson, Mrs. J. A. Leslie, Mrs. A. B. Buchanan, Mrs. Mattie Thompson.

CORNER STONE TO BE LAID.

The Masonic Lodge at Richlands will lay the corner stone for the Community Building in Richlands on Monday, September 4th at 2 o'clock. All the Masonic Lodges in Tazewell County and Adams Lodge, White-wood, Va., are invited to assist in the ceremony. A light lunch will be served for the Masons at 12 noon promptly. The ladies of the Olive League Lodge will be seated in the parlour at 1 P. M., and march to the Community house at 2 P. M. All Masons are cordially invited to be present.

FORD FOR SALE.

Ford Roadster for sale, in good condition, starter, will sell reasonable. See Mr. Mauze at Hotel Tazewell.

A WILD CAT STORY—ENJOYS OLD SNAKE STORIES.

Boiseville, Ind., Aug. 30.—The people of this town have been reading your snake stories with much interest, but here comes a story from one of our boys who has been on a vacation down in Kentucky. He said that while walking along a barb wire fence that runs from Kentucky over to the West Va., side, he met a man there footed walking on that fence with two wild cats under each arm and walked that fence for three miles and never got a cut or bite. And further more, he said that if we did not believe what he said he would show us the fence, but he being one of our most truthful citizens. We did not doubt his word, but made him a present of a solid bone collar button for the best story told here.

CATTLE FOR SALE.

I have for sale 300 head of 1000 to 1200 pound cattle of good feeding quality. Any one interested please write or call on me at Peterstown, West Va., where the cattle can be seen. J. A. McKENZIE, Sep 2-22

BERKSHIRE BOARS AND SOWS FOR SALE.

For sale within the next eight days some fine pure bred Berkshires. Also a few lot of Shropshire rams and ewe lambs for sale. See Mr. J. J. Roach, my farm manager, for prices. C. R. BROWN, Tazewell.

SEPTEMBER BARGAINS.

Look over this list of Special Prices for September: Soda Mint Tablets, 100's,.....19c. 2 oz. Size Aromatic Cascara,.....19c. Pontex Stationery,.....39c. 4 oz. Extract Vanilla,.....32c. Monogram Fountain Syring, guaranteed one year,.....\$1.19. 1000 Carls Soda Tablets,.....69c. Jontell Vanity Box with Compact, Lather Brush (set in Rubber), Rexall Shaving Cream, Both for,.....69c.

BIDS WANTED.

Bids will be received at the Office of the County Road Engineer, Tazewell, Va., until one o'clock P. M. Saturday, September 2nd, 1922, for grading and draining 0.83 miles of road from Mrs. Viole Burgess's place to the Bluefield College, n the Clear Fork District of Tazewell County, Va.

Following approximate quantities involved: 8500 cubic yards of unclassified excavation. 300 feet of drain pipe. 35 cubic yards of concrete. 1000 pounds of reinforcing steel. 8 acres clearing.

Plans and specifications will be on file in above Office after August 31, 1922.

A certified check for \$250.00 must accompany each bid. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

Signed: J. D. PEERY, Chairman Board of Supervisors, Tazewell, County, Va.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Sunday school 10 a. m., Preaching 11 a. m. by pastor.

PREACHING NOTICE.

Rev. A. S. Ulm will preach Saturday night at Liberty Hill; Sunday 11 a. m. at the Cove; 3:30 at Glenwood. These services will be the last for this conference year. The Holston annual conference meets Sept. 27, at Bristol, Va.

NO SERVICES SUNDAY MORNING.

There will be no services in the Baptist church next Sunday morning, Mr. Alexander preaches at Bundy's Chapel in the morning at 11 o'clock, and will preach in the Baptist church here in the evening, at 8 o'clock. Sunday school at 10 o'clock sharp.

60 PER CENT JUMP IN MINERS' WAGES IN VIRGINIA FIELD.

Norton, Va., Aug. 20.—Effective September 1 miners of the Southwest Virginia field will receive a 60 per cent increase in wages. Official announcement was made here today.

This is back to 1920 scale and means additional half million dollars per month to be paid throughout the field.

The strikers seem to have won out all around. It may be necessary to inaugurate "a consumers strike."

THE McLEES MEETING CLOSED LAST NIGHT.

The evangelistic meetings, conducted by Rev. Dr. McLees, "the Blind preacher," in the Presbyterian church closed last night. Two services were held daily. The preaching of the evangelist was characteristic, and attracted large crowds. There were about a dozen professions, almost all of them Sunday school children, also a number of reconsecrations.

This was the third meeting held here by Mr. McLees, and each time his preaching has been more attractive, if possible. Mr. and Mrs. McLees leave today for their home at Chatham, Virginia.

A NEW BABY AND A SUIT OF CLOTHES.

Rev. Mr. Peck, the Holiness preacher, who lives in New Town, is the father of a new baby girl, which is the 4th girl. His parishioners in Thompson Valley, where he has been preaching, in celebration of the event, gave him a present of a suit of new clothes, and wished him many happy returns of the day.

DEATH OF YOUNG CHILD.

The 4-year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Helderth, died last Saturday night after an illness of only about one day. The little fellow had been afflicted in some way from birth. He had never walked. His mother was absent on a visit in Washington county, and reached home only an hour before the baby died. Funeral and burial took place on Monday.

ROANOKE FAIR TO BE BEST EVER HELD.

That Roanoke will have a fair this year was definitely established when it was announced that transportation facilities had been arranged. The possibility of holding a fair in Roanoke this fall had been a matter of uncertainty because it was not known just whether the railroads would be able to care for the transportation of cattle, carnivals, horses, shows, exhibits and other things that go to make up a fair.

J. P. Filipo, secretary of the Fair Association, announced that the fair will be held on dates previously announced September 19-22, and that most of the arrangements for the occasion have already been made.

In a few days the program will be announced and indications are that the exhibits at the fair this year will be the best in the history of the city. Automobile races, horse races and other features will be staged daily.

Many inquiries from cattle raisers from all sections of the country have been received by Mr. Filipo relative to the premium lists and they all indicated that they would enter their cattle for prizes. More such inquiries have come in his year than ever before, he said, adding that stock raisers seem to be more active this year than in many years.

The poultry exhibit at the fair will be the largest in many years, it was announced. The Fair Association is getting the co-operation of the Roanoke Poultry and Fanciers Club and also the Rabbit and Cavy Breeders Association. Every poultry and pet stock raiser in the Southwest section of the State is being urged to send their show birds and animals to the Roanoke fair.

OFF FOR COLLEGE.

No doubt you'll get out for the glee club, And probably try for the team. And I'm figuring that you may land in a frat, Which is each